KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

STAFF NOTE

Action/Consent Item:

Certification of Non-Public Schools

Applicable Statute or Regulation:

KRS 156.160(3)

Action Question:

Should the Kentucky Board of Education accept the following recommendations of the Kentucky Non-Public Schools Commission to certify for the designated period of time the following schools?

ONE year (July 1, 2005 – June 30, 2006) Accredited by the Kentucky Non-Public Schools Commission.

Lexington Montessori Ms. Moira Skinner 319 South Broadway Park Lexington, KY 40504 Harvest Christian Academy Mr. John Bower 1 Schoolhouse Road, P.O. Box 398 South Portsmouth, KY 41174

Our Mother of Sorrows Elementary Sr. Sharon Blank 770 Eastern Parkway Louisville, KY 40217

TWO years (July 1, 2005 – June 30, 2007) Accredited by the Kentucky Non-Public Schools Commission.

Seton Catholic School Ms. Lee Coomer 1740 Summerhill Drive Lexington, KY 40515

FOUR years (July 1, 2005 – June 30, 2009) Accredited by the Kentucky Non-Public Schools Commission.

Presentation Academy High Ms. Barbara Wine 861 South 4th Street Louisville, KY 40203

FIVE years (July 1, 2005 – June 30, 2010) Accredited by the Kentucky Non-Public Schools Commission.

Christ the King Elementary Ms. Rita King 412 Cochran Road

Lexington, KY 40502

St. Gabriel the Archangel Elementary

Ms. Margaret Bowen 5503 Bardstown Road Louisville, KY 40291

St. Joseph Academy Elementary

Sr. Patricia Jean Cushing 48 Needmore Street Walton, KY 41094

St. Leo Elementary Sr. Patrycia Sweeney 239 North Main Street

Versailles, KY 40383

St. Michael Lifelong Learning Center

Ms. Sheila Marstiller 12707 Taylorsville Road Louisville, KY 40297 St. Dominic Elementary

Ms. Pam Breunig 309 West Main Street Springfield, KY 40069

St. Gregory Elementary

Ms. Paula Cecil 350 Samuels Loop

Cox's Creek, KY 40013

St. Joseph Elementary Ms. Mary Spalding 320 West Stephen Foster Bardstown, KY 40004

St. Leonard Elementary Mr. Thomas Schmitt 440 Zorn Avenue

Louisville, KY 40206

St. Paul Elementary Mr. Kevin Brever 6901 Dixie Highway Louisville, KY 40258

FIVE years (July 1, 2005 – June 30, 2010) Accredited by the American Association of Christian Schools.

Anchored Christian School Ms. Martha Vaught 1807 Cave Mill Road Bowling Green, KY 42104

FIVE years (July 1, 2005 – June 30, 2010) Accredited by the Association of Christian Schools International.

Clark County Christian School Ms. Nancy Sewell

2500 Colby Road Winchester, KY 40391 Portland Christian Elementary (Main)

Ms. Jodell Seay

2500 Montgomery Street Louisville, KY 40212

Portland Christian Elementary (N. Bullitt) Portland Christian Jr./Sr. High Ms. Jodell Seay 4265 North Preston Highway

Mr. Timothy Morrow 2500 Portland Avenue Louisville, KY 40212

FIVE years (July 1, 2005 – June 30, 2010) Accredited by the International Christian Accrediting Association.

Assembly Christian School Mr. Steve Gehring 2780 Clays Mill Road Lexington, KY 40503

Louisville, KY 40165

FIVE years (July 1, 2005 – June 30, 2010) Accredited by the National Lutheran School Accreditation.

Our Savior Lutheran School Mr. Martin Brieschke 8307 Nottingham Parkway Louisville, KY 40222

History/Background:

Existing Policy. KRS 156.160(3) provides that any "private, parochial or church school may voluntarily comply with curriculum, certification, and textbook standards established by the Kentucky Board of Education and be certified upon application to the Board by such schools."

At the September 1992 meeting, the Kentucky Board of Education approved a process to certify non-public schools. The Board certifies schools by accepting the recommendations of the Kentucky Non-Public Schools Commission. The Kentucky Non-Public Schools Commission ensures that the schools being presented to the Board for certification have successfully completed the accreditation process of one of the ten state, regional or national accrediting agencies approved for this purpose by the Board.

Staff Recommendation(s) and Rationale(s):

Staff recommends that the KBE endorse the Kentucky Non-Public Schools Commission's recommendations for certification.

The Kentucky Non-Public Schools Commission has worked closely with the Kentucky Board of Education and the Kentucky Department of Education to establish the certification process for non-public schools. The Commission has appointed a coordinator for the project and monitors the process carefully before making the recommendations presented here.

The schools listed above have successfully completed the accreditation process conducted by the Kentucky Non-Public Schools Commission, the American Association of Christian Schools, the

Association of Christian School International, the International Christian Accrediting Association, and the National Lutheran School Accreditation.

Groups Consulted and Brief Summary of Responses:

The Kentucky Non-Public Schools Commission recommends certification for the schools listed for the designated periods of time because all criteria have been met.

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